



# TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD

## MEETING MINUTES

### West Hartford Clean Energy Task Force

March 14, 2016

7:00 PM

Rm 422

#### 1. Roll Call – 7:06 PM

Member	Present	Alternates	Present
Catherine Diviney	X	Ashwin Raghavan	X
Robert Palmer	X	Vacant (resident)	
Bernie Pelletier	X	Vacant (staff)	
Joe Campanella	X		
Chris Nelson	X		
<b>Total</b>	6		
<b>Additional Attendees</b>	Dave Mello, Kailyn (Conard HS Student), Jeff Howard, Gerry Hayes, Jamie Howland (Acadia)		

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

- a. Feb 17, 2016 - **approved**

#### 3. Receipt of Communications: none

#### 4. Updates & Unfinished Business

- a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate

Chris received responses/statements from all 3 candidates (Dave Mello, Max Dubuisson, Matt Macunas). The “official” task force members will vote offline and recommend someone at next meeting.

- b. Meetings w/ WHPS – eeSmarts, CT Greenleaf Schools, Shining Solutions

Catherine had 2 successful meeting with Gio Koch of eeSmarts & Kerry Jones, Dir of Elementary Curriculum for WHPS and Laurel Kohl of CT Greenleaf and Kirsten Sanderson, IB Coordinator at Charter Oaks. Both the District and Charter Oak is particular seem interested in embracing these program. Kerry was particularly interested in the cross-over mapping of lessons to the new standards. She will also present the Shining Solutions lightbulb fundraiser to the PTC Council in the fall 2016 (Oct) as their last meeting for this year is April and school year will be winding down.

- c. 1,400 LED street lights ordered!

Catherine gave an update that the lights for the main roads were finally ordered. There was some continuing discussion about color temperature issues. The town is proceeding with 4000K.

- d. Hotel

Catherine gave an update that she had checked in with the project architect and they are currently in the middle of doing the building energy model and would provide an updated LEED scorecard when they had the results of that model.

## 5. Energy / Recycling Plan

### a. Draft Residential Letter – pizza out

People supported the changes made to the draft letter, dropping the “Slice” (Pizza) part of the campaign, and using the \$15K CEC Grant for lightbulbs. Catherine is working with CEC (Diana, Samantha, Ali) to finalize letter and figure out allocation of bulbs to the different events. CEC will pay to send letter and will also send postcard reminders for the lightbulb swaps.

There was discussion about whether we should get a banner to promote these events at the Main/Farmington Intersection and whether the cost would be too much.

Chris gave an update on the EV Event planning call with Sierra Club. There is also a guy at Eversource who has some knowledge for EV events.

Bernie said the videos are almost ready to go. We still need an updated solar one.

- Solar Workshop – Th, May 12 7-8:30PM, Rm 314
- EE Workshop – W, Oct 12 7-8:30PM, Rm 314
- Channel 95 videos
- Celebrate WH – Sa-Sun June 4-5, **(Catherine will submit application)**
- EV Event – Sa, June 18, 10-1 PM
- Lightbulb Swaps – Bishops Corner (M Sept 26 3-7 PM) & Elmwood (Sa, Sept 24 (9:30-1:30) POSTCARD, CEC Bright Idea Grant \$15K

### b. Town usage data – comments, Eversource form still pending, CNG provided data – **tabled, not enough time**

## 6. New Business

### a. Westmoor Park – Solar Walk-Thru Tu, Mar 15 (CEC Grant \$14,850)

Catherine indicated this project is being funded by CEC Grant and she had some discussion with Bob Wall about considering 2 options: a small full-funded demo system, or using the funds to leverage a larger PPA project.

### b. Charter Oak School – Photos/Update – **tabled not enough time, Bob will provide a construction update at next meeting**

### c. (added) Hall HS Science Labs

Catherine wanted to let the group know that the next large WHPS construction project will be an addition/remodel for Hall HS Science labs. The size of this project would meet the LEED Gold requirement in the 2009 Comp Energy Plan. She indicated it may be difficult labs to meet LEED Gold standards cost-effectively and the Task Force might need to review this requirement. More discussion will take place next meeting with Bob Palmer.

### d. Acadia Center – Jamie Howland, **see attached slides**

## 7. Adjournment – 8:50 PM